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SUBJ: INSPECTOR'S COMMENTS RELATIVE CITIZENSHIP & PASSPORTS
MATTERS

REF: INSPECTOR'S MEMORANDUM OF MAY 23, 1973 AND STATE 159865

1. FOLLOWING CITIZENSHIP AND PASSPORT CASES CONSIDERED BY EMBASSY
TO CONSTITUTE CONSIDERABLE DELAY. ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF POLITICAL
AND ECONOMIC SITUATION IN CHILE, IT CONSIDERED IMPORTANT FOR US
CITIZENS TO HAVE VALID PASSPORTS IN POSSESSION AND TO BE ABLE TO
TRAVEL ON SHORT NOTICE.

A. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF MICHELE RICAPITO POUCHED 16
OCT 1972 AND REPLY RECEIVED 8 MARCH 1973 -- 142 DAYS;

B. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF ALAN DREW KOBRIN POUCHED
NOV 21 1972 AND REPLY RECEIVED 17 FEB 1973 --87 DAYS;

C. REGISTRATION AND PASSPORT APPLICATION OF SERGIO R. PURTELL
POUCHED 24 NOV 1972 AND REPLY RECEIVED MAR 5 -- 99 DAYS;

D. LOST PASSPORT APPLICATION OF BRUCE AARON JOFFE POUCHED 27 FEB
AND REPLY RECEIVED 3 MAY -- 66 DAYS;

E. LOST PASSPORT APPLICATION OF KAREN LEE YOUNG POUCHED 2 MARCH
AND REPLY RECEIVED 11 APRIL -- 39 DAYS;

*. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF MARTHA RUTH ROSE POUCHED 20
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MARCH AND REPLY RECEIVED 9 JUNE -- 80 DAYS;

G. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF GASPER FRANK LOBIONDO POUCHED
5 APRIL AND REPLY RECEIVED 7 JUNE -- 66 DAYS;

H. IN ALL ABOVE CASES, TELEGRAMS HAD TO BE SENT TO EXPEDITE
REPLY.

2. IN FOLLOWING CASES, REPLY NOT YET RECEIVED:

A. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF ANDREW STEVEN EARNEST
POUCHED 3 MAY --- 110 DAYS;

?. REGISTRATION AND PASSPORT APPLICATION OF ESTER IRENE
CASABLANCA POUCHED 14 JUNE -- 58 DAYS;

C. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF ERIKA RENATE SEZONOV
POUCHED JUNE 20 -- 60 DAYS;

D. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF PAUL JEROME ISAAC POUCHED
11 JULY --32 DAYS;

E. PASSPORT EXTENSION APPLICATION OF MONICA GOLDMAN POUCHED 19
JULY -- 32 DAYS.

3. IF REASON FOR DELAYS IS "NORMAL PROCEDURES INVOLVED IN OB-
TAINING PREVIOUS OR RELATED FILES AND INFORMATION," THEN EMBASSY
SUGGESTS THAT INSPECTORS MIGHT WISH EXAMINE POSSIBILITY OF CHANG-
ING SAID "NORMAL PROCEDURES", AS THEY APPARENTLY NOT IN LINE WITH
DEPARTMENT'S OFT-STATED DESIRE TO PROVIDE PROMPT PASSPORT SERVICE FOR
US
CITIZENS.

4. RECOMMENDATION OF TYING EMBASSY INTO COMPUTERIZED LOOKOUT
NETWORK WAS NOT ORIGINATED BY EMBASSY OR ANY OF ITS PERSONNEL BUT,
RATHER, BY INSPECTOR. IN SPITE OF PROHIBITION OF A-7503 AND
OTHER CITED INSTRUCTIONS (OF WHICH EMBASSY AWARE), IT WOULD APPEAR
THAT INSPECTOR'S SUGGESTIONS WOULD HAVE MERIT IF IT IS ONLY WAY
OF AVOIDING ABOVE-CITED DELAYS.
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